HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 334

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A RESOLUTION to designate April 16-18, 2009 as Citizen Buy-In Days in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, in the middle of April 2009, American workers should begin to receive an increase in their paychecks because of the change in withholding tax requirements provided for in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, with the average increase in take home pay expected to be ten to twenty dollars; and

WHEREAS, to show support for their country and to "buy-in" to America's economic recovery, the citizens of Tennessee are encouraged to go shopping on April 16-17, 2009, and spend their increase in take home pay on an article of clothing – shoes, socks, shirt or blouse – that they will wear to work on April 18 showing their fellow workers the impact the average Tennessean can have on the economy when acting in unison with fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, such purchases will not only help local retailers across Tennessee, they will also help local and state governments with a boost in sales tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, retail merchants are encouraged to support Citizen Buy-In Days by offering specials for \$9.99 or \$19.99, reflecting the size of the pay increase in addition to featuring red, white, or blue clothing for sale; and

WHEREAS, Citizen Buy-In Days will motivate those who still have jobs to help the economy to grow if they are willing to spend some dollars, producing vital revenue for businesses; and

WHEREAS, taking part in Citizen Buy-In Days will allow Tennesseans to personally help our economy and join with their fellow citizens in taking a positive action for the future of our Nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby designate April 16-18, 2009, as Citizen Buy-In Days, and urge every employed Tennessean to participate and "buy-in" to this citizen initiative to revitalize the American economy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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